

TELEPHONE CASE SET FOR HEARING

The Southwestern Bell Company Due For a "Showdown."

HIGH RATES—POOR SERVICE

Audit of the Company's Books Necessary For Determining Rate.

Special to The World.
OKLAHOMA CITY, Aug. 20.—Showdown time is approaching for the Southwestern Bell Telephone company. On Behold, acting chairman of state corporation commission, yesterday afternoon made public a blanket complaint to be heard by H. B. Hubenthal, telephone expert of the commission, as complainant, in which the commission on its own initiative, complained the innumerable companies providing service were poor and inadequate operation. The case has been set down for hearing October 1.

Some time ago the commission announced that it had 587 complaints against the telephone company and these have been multiplied again against Commissioner Echoes a few weeks ago, and since that time extended a "blanket" order upon which to determine the physical examination of the properties, the pay to employees and elimination of so-called "flat rates." The complaint yesterday is a basis for bringing all these facts to the surface. The complaint in substance follows:

That the rates and charges now being enforced by the said Southwestern Bell Telephone company for service in the city of Oklahoma City and other cities and towns throughout the state of Oklahoma are excessive, unfair and discriminatory in reference to the service rendered, rental charges for local service, toll charges for "station-to-station" and "person-to-person" long distance calls; special charges for toll appointment and messenger calls, repair charges on incomplete toll calls, service connection charges for installing and disconnecting equipment.

That said rates and charges are higher than necessary to meet operating expenditures and to yield a reasonable rate on said company's investment.

Complainants further allege that the service furnished at present by the said Southwestern Bell Telephone company is generally inadequate, inefficient and unsatisfactory, giving wrong numbers and bad answer. And the busy reports stay in answering calls and in taking down connections, interruptions in service and long delayed completion of long distance calls.

That said Southwestern Bell Telephone company is indifferent, careless and disinterested in the matter of handling service complaints and that it unduly delays establishment and re-establishment of services when required.

Therefore, complainants pray that the aforesaid defendant, the Southwestern Bell Telephone company be required to answer the charges herein and after due hearing and investigation, in order to make compensation to the Southwestern Bell Telephone company to change and modify its present charges, rates and practices commensurate with the class of service rendered.

Free From Federal Control.
Until the first day of August, with the telephone and telegraph lines in the hands of the federal government, it has been difficult for state agencies to provide relief to consumers, but since the lines have been returned to private ownership they are also under the jurisdiction and control of the state corporations commission, in the matter of rates and services, as before federal control.

The last legislature adopted house bill resolution No. 17, which provided for the revocation of the charter of the telephone company, but the measure failed to secure the approval of the governor.

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Federal Officials Discuss Ways and Means of Reducing High Living Cost



From left to right: Walker T. Hines, William B. Colver, a newspaper man, William C. Redfield and Victor Murdoch.

"GUARANTEED" STOCK SALE IS FORBIDDEN

Some Firms Dealing in Speculative Stock Attempt to Capitalize Commission's Permit.

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OKLAHOMA CITY, Aug. 20.—Concerns dealing in speculative securities which have been authorized by the state stock commission to sell such, must not attempt to make capital of the fact that the commission has passed upon their applications to such an extent, as did one company which attempted to advertise that its stock was guaranteed by the state issues commission. A statement was made in the early days of the federal pure food law that manufacturers endeavored to label their goods "guaranteed under the pure food law."

The state stock commission is required to pass upon the prospectus and advertising of concerns seeking to sell stock of speculative nature in Oklahoma. Many brief declarations of certain concerns have been eliminated when the securities were rejected by agents of the commission. The concerns are still required to submit blanks of application for the purpose of stock contracts of sale and receipts for money paid for stock. On these it is required that the amount of commission on the sale shall be printed in bold face type.

To the present only two concerns have, unwillingly or otherwise, attempted to take advantage of the opportunity given them by the commission. In each instance the company was required to strike such language from its advertising.

TRAPP GRANTS FOUR PAROLES.

Citizenship Pardon is Granted E. L. Plum, Former Anadarko Mayor.

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OKLAHOMA CITY, Aug. 20.—Acting Governor Trappe has granted four pardons and one commutation of sentence. J. T. Conway, convicted of embezzlement and sentenced to serve three years in prison, has been paroled, as has Lem Myers, convicted in Custer county on a charge of arson in burning a building with intent to defraud an insurance company and sentenced to serve four years.

Gus Stephens, convicted of manufacturing intoxicating liquors, was paroled under the provision that both federal and state punishments were assessed for the same offense.

Fred Hayes, convicted of manslaughter in Anoka county, and sentenced to serve ten years, received a commutation which will bring his release soon. His term would have expired next year.

A citizenship pardon was granted to E. L. Plum, formerly mayor of Anadarko who had been convicted of embezzlement, sentenced to serve five years, and was serving about one year was paroled by former Governor Williams. Plum's accounts with the city of Anadarko were straight and unquestioned and the embezzlement charge grew out of an alleged mishandling of funds in connection with farm loan bureau. Plum is now a resident of Texas.

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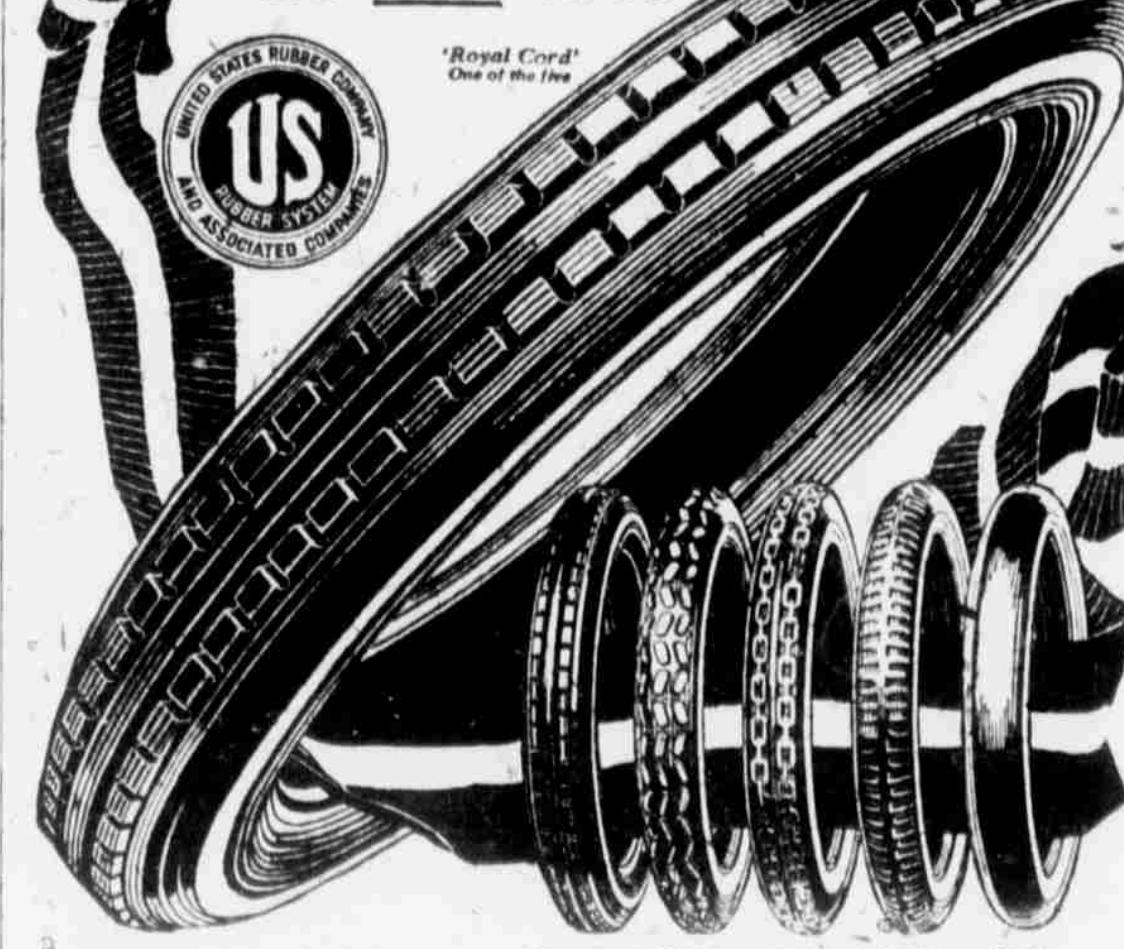
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State Briefs

H. M. Chamber, with whom he boarded.

ARDMORE, Aug. 20.—Grant Whitley, a young man 23 years old, who was employed at the Compton Inn in Tulsa, Okla., as a waiter, was shot twice late Monday afternoon by coming in contact with his wife here only this week.

STIGLER, Aug. 20.—The county commissioners have accepted Duane Frederick, former county judge, as successor Fred H. Faquin as prosecuting attorney. Mr. Faquin resigned several weeks ago to devote his time to private practice.

MUSKOGEE, Aug. 20.—One man and 14 other felons are on trial for preliminary hearings at Wednesday a session of city court. The first criminal session in three weeks.

LAWTON, Aug. 20.—Sponsors for the pavement ball to be given Thursday evening for the Oklahoma national guard have been selected by the entertainment and military committee.

MCALESTER, Aug. 20.—Mrs. W. M. Wright, Camden, Ark., has been called by the First Baptist congregation here to accept the local pulpit.

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CHICKASHA, Aug. 20.—Grief over the death of her father, E. B. Brock, who died four years ago, is forcing his wife, Mrs. Jane Brock, age 16, to leave her home with a 45-caliber pistol at her home near Durbin, Matt. Bankey, sheriff of Grays county and brother-in-law to the dead girl, started this morning.

ADAMSON, Aug. 20.—The lawyer and husband of city commissioners voted last night to purchase a ranch of 400 acres and homestead to sell to the citizens of Miami and the mining district here.

ADA, Aug. 20.—Mayor Kitchens has sold his studio to Frank A. Clempson, 40, Ada, and Francesco, 16, the clean-up companion the most rigid that he ever had.

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Capital Notes

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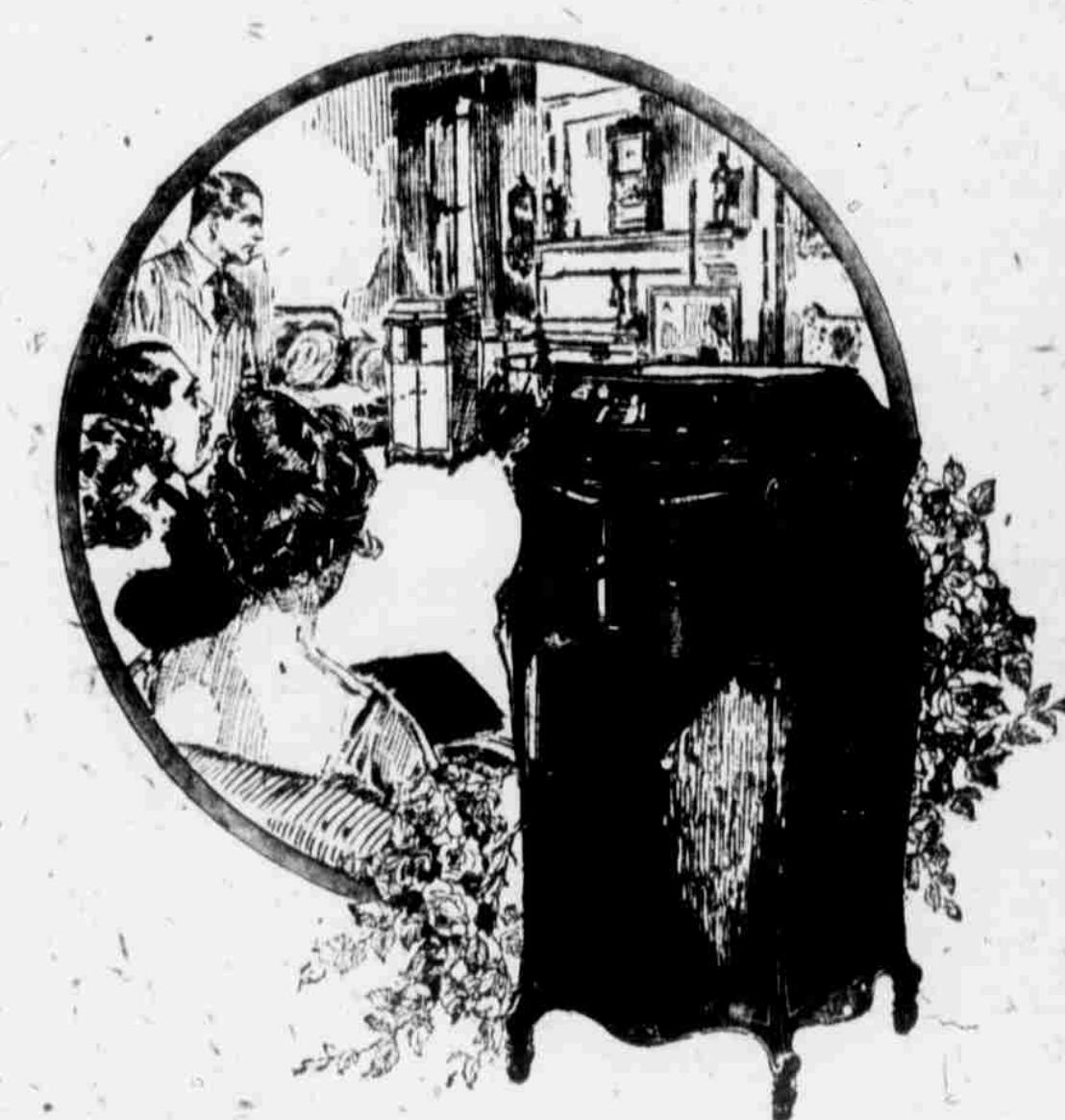
OKLAHOMA CITY, Aug. 20.—William Hunter, member of the commission to all the adult blind, left yesterday for St. Louis and Indianapolis, Wash., to attend a meeting of the Knights of Pythias.

Senator J. J. Smith of Miami was at the statehouse conference, and after Smith was en route home after a business trip in the western part of the state.

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